## AMENDMENTS TO SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the following paragraphs on page 4, after line 22:

Those described hydroxyl protective groups are ethers, esters, and, for 1,2- and 1,3-DIOLS, cyclic acetals and ketals and cyclic ortho esters.

The ethers include:

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Methyl
Substituted Methyl Ethers
      Methoxymethyl (MOM Group)
            Methylthiomethyl (MTM Group)
      Benzyloxymethyl
      t-Bytoxymethyl
      2-Methoxyethoxymethyl (MEM Group)
      2,2,2-Trichloroethoxymethyl
      Bis(2-chloroethoxy)methyl
      2-(Trimethylsilyl)ethoxymethyl
Tetrahydropyranyl (THP Group)
      3-Bromotetrahydropyranyl
      Tetrahydrothiopyranyl
      4-Methoxytetrahydropyranyl
             4-Methoxytetrahydrothiopyranyl
             4-Methoxytetrahydrothiopyranyl S,S-Dioxido
Tetrahydrofuranyl
      Tetrahydrothiofuranyl
Substituted Ethyl Ethers
      1-Ethoxyethyl
      1-Methyl-1-methoxyethyl
      1-(Isopropoxy)ethyl
      2,2,2-Trichloroethyl
      2-(Phenylselenyl)ethyl
t-Butyl
Allyl
Cinnamyl
p-Chlorophenyl
Benzyl
      p-Methoxybenzyl
       o-Nitrobenzyl
       p-Nitrobenzyl
       p-Halobenzyl
       p-Cvanobenzyl
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Diphenylmethyl
      5-Dibenzosuberyl
      Triphenylmethyl
             α-Naphthyldiphenylmethyl
             p-Methoxyphenyldiphenylmethyl
             p-(p'-Bromophenacyloxy)phenyldiphenylmethyl
      9-Anthryl
      9-(9-Phenyl)xanthenyl
      9-(9-Phenyl-10-oxo)anthryl (Tritylone-Group)
      Benzisothiazolyl S,S-Dioxido
      Silvl Ethers
             Trimethylsilyl (TMS Group)
             Triethylsilyl
             Isopropyldimethylsilyl
             t-Butyldimethylsilyl (TBDMS Group)
             (Triphenylmethyl)dimethylsilyl
             t-Butyldiphenylsilyl
             Methyldiisopropylsilyl
             Methyldi-t-butylsilyl
             Tribenzylsilyl
                    Tri-p-xylylsilyl
             Triisopropylsilyl
             Triphenylsilyl
The esters include:
      Formate
             Benzoylformate
      Acetate
             Chloroacetate
             Diehloroacetate
             Trichloroacetate
             Trifluoroacetate
             Methoxyacetate
             Triphenylmethoxyacetate
             Phenoxyacetate
                    p-Chlorophenoxyacetate
                    2,6-Cichloro-4-methylphenoxyacetate
                    2,6-Dichloro-4-(1,1,3,3-tetramethylbutyl)phenoxyacetate
                    2,4-Bis(1,1-dimethylpropyl)phenoxyacetate
             Chlorodiphenylacetate
             p-@-Phenylacetate
      3-Phenylpropionate
      3-Benzoylpropionate-
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3-Methyl-2-picolyl N-Oxido

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Isobutyrate
      Monosuccinoate
      4-Oxopentanoate (Levulinate)
      Pivaloate
      Adamantoate
      Crotonate
            4-Methoxycrotonate
      (E)-2-Methyl-2-butenoate (Tigloate)
      Benzoate
            o-(Dibromomethyl)benzoate
            o-(Methoxycarbonyl)benzoate
            p-Phenylbenzoate
            2,4,6-Trimethylbenzoate (Mesitoate)
            p-@-Benzoate
      α-Naphthoate
      Carbonates
            Methyl
            Ethyl
            2,2,2-Trichloroethyl
            Isobutyl
            Vinyl
            Allyl
            Cinnamyl
            p-Nitrophenyl
            Benzyl
                   p-Methoxybenzyl
                   3,4-Dimethoxybenzyl
                   o-Nitrobenzyl
                   p-Nitrobenzyl
            S-Benzyl Thiocarbonate
      Miscellaneous
      N-Phenylcarbamate
      N-Imidazolylcarbamate
      Borate
      Nitrate
      N,N,N',N'-Tetramethylphosphorodiamidate
      2,4-Dinitrophenylsulfenate
For protection of 1,2- and 1,3-DIOLS, the cyclic adetals and ketals include:
             Methylene
             Ethylidene
                   1-t-Butylethylidene
                   1-Phenylethylidene
                   2,2,2-Trichloroethylidene
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Acetonide (Isopropylidene)
Butylidene
Cyclopentylidene
Cyclohexylidene
Cycloheptylidene
Benzylidene
p-Methoxybenzylidene
2,4-Dimethoxybenzylidene
p-Dimethylaminobenzylidene
p-W-Benzylidene
Phenanthrylidene Derivative;
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## whereas the cyclic ortho esters include:

Methoxymethylene
Ethoxymethylene
Dimethoxymethylene
1-Methoxyethylidene
1,2-Dimethoxyethylidene
α-Methoxybenzylidene
1-(N,N-Dimethylamino)ethylidene Derivative
α-(N,N-Dimethylamino)benzylidene Derivative
Disiloxanylidene Derivative
Stannoxane Derivative
Cyclic Carbonates
Cyclic Boronates
Phenyl Boronate
ρ-Φ-Phenyl Boronate